

I applied! What's next?

Once you've submitted your college applications, there are still a few more things you may need to do in order to complete the application process. It's important to find out what, if any, other information is required by the admissions office. The earlier you submit the necessary information, the sooner you will receive a reply from the admissions office. Some additional information that may be required includes:



Official high school transcripts

You can request your transcripts to be submitted through your high school. You also can use an online account at parchment.com. To sign up, click the student option and complete the registration. Request your transcripts from your high school and click "deliver" to choose the colleges and universities where you want your transcripts to be sent. You also can use this account to request that your transcripts be sent to you by email in order to apply for scholarships.

ACT/SAT scores

Check with your school to see which score they prefer. If you plan to take either of the tests again during your senior year, be sure to include the schools for which you have applied when completing the section about where to send your scores.

Essays

Some colleges will request essays to be submitted with your application. Be sure to answer all of their questions and spend extra time on this portion of the application.

Letters of recommendation

Depending on the institution, you may be required to submit letters of recommendation. These letters can come from a teacher, counselor, principal, coach, supervisor, pastor, employer, etc.